

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Kanji TANAKA et al.	Art Unit: 3722
Application No.: 10/694,540	Examiner: E. Gates
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Title: BINDER	

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 23, 2006, the period for response to which has been extended to September 25, 2006 (September 23, 2006 falls on a Saturday), by the accompanying Petition for One-Month Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page **2** of this paper.
- ☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet. An **Appendix** including the amended drawing figures is attached following page of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page **6** of this paper.

Please note, if a box is not checked, then no corresponding amendment is being made.